Mildred.

This is consistent with what I heard early one morning, around 5 A.M. At first I thought it was just another tenant shouting at the voices, then over Mildred's shrieking I heard Serge's booming admonishment that he'd bar her from every group home in Hogtown, and have her committed to the forensic ward at the Asylum, where she'd get to sample a new medication, the same treatment she'd just dispensed to Frederick (not Fred), but at the manic hands of a posse of crack-whores….

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Adam was the only worker who ever pitied Mildred. After all, she was mentally ill. Every now and then he'd see her dancing or staggering along the sidewalk, depending on her condition. He told me what a sad case Mildred's was. She'd been a regular house-wife, married, the mother of six kids. Even after the onset of acute mental illness, she'd refused to take any medication, although there was medicine available to her that would have helped. She'd "escalate," as we said, and get evicted from one group home, or "stupid boarding home," as Frederick (not Fred) used to say, to another.

Then there was the time Mildred came down to the office at medication time and gave Caspar the finger….